6 7 HOUSE SIMPLE RESOLUTION 8

WHEREAS, On this day we are celebrating the birthday of one of our 10 most illustrious leaders, a man known for his farsighted approach to 11 legislation, for the techniques of statesmanship--one Raul L. Longoria, 12 who, like the Father of His Country, was born on February 22, but some 13 centuries later, in 1921; and

WHEREAS, Our colleague Raul is one of the best-liked Members of 15 this House, and a man whose qualities of leadership and honor can be 16 likened to those of that famous American, George Washington, but who 17 made his way in life on his own and not with a background of inheritance 18 similar to that of our first President; and

WHEREAS, He was born at La Grulla, a small village on the banks of 19 20 the Rio Grande in Starr County, and began earning his own way at the 21 tender age of 12; and

WHEREAS, After his graduation from Rio Grande City High School in 23 May, 1938, he entered a CCC Camp, and was stationed in New Mexico; 24 ever one to take advantage of opportunities, he attended New Mexico 25 A & M during that time, and worked as a night watchman in order to 26 finance his college education; and

WHEREAS, On his return to Texas he farmed and then went to work 28 in the National Youth Administration, which was headed by a young man 29 named Lyndon B. Johnson; and

WHEREAS, He volunteered in the Air Corps in November, 1942, and 31 spent 29 months in overseas service, receiving his discharge in February, 32 1946; and

WHEREAS, Upon his return to the States, he entered The University 34 of Texas, under the GI Bill, and obtained first a B. B. A. degree and then

35 his LoL. B; and WHEREAS, In September, 1947, he married the lovely Earlene Moorman, and he and Earlene have five wonderful children: Sam, 15;

38 Janiece, 13; Roy, 8; and twin girls six years old, Cecilia and Elaine; and WHEREAS, He became Assistant District Attorney of Hidalgo County, 40 and then City Attorney of the City of Pharr, and has been in the private practice of law in Edinburg and Pharr since 1952; and

WHEREAS, He was elected to the Texas Legislature in 1951, and reelected to this 59th Legislature in 1965; and

WHEREAS, His fellow Members of this House wish to extend congratulations to Raul as he celebrates his 45th Birthday Anniversary; now, therefore, be it

RESÓLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 59th Legisla-48 ture extends Birthday Greetings to Representative Raul L. Longoria; and 49 be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, under the Seal of the 51 House of Representatives, be prepared for Representative Longoria as a 52 memento of his Birthday and in token of the esteem of his colleagues and 53 friends.

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Representative Raul L. Longoria

FEB 22 1966

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